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GREETING.

The Kentucky Irish American extends to its readers, advertisers and friends St. Patrick's day greetings, and takes this occasion to return thanks for their loyal and generous support. This week's issue, two sections of eight pages each, contains much interesting reading matter and an excellent directory of Louisville's prominent men and leading business houses. They are all deserving, and we therefore ask for them the cordial support and patronage of our subscribers.

HOLDEST TRIBUTE.

The observance of St. Patrick's day this year, has taken many forms as in times past, but never has the recognition due the great patron saint of Ireland been more impressively paid than will be this year witnessed from one end of the country to the other by members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians receiving holy communion on his feast day. What an inspiring lesson in the practical Catholicity of the Ancient Order and how splendid must be the moral effect of an army of about 250,000 men and women approaching the altar! The custom of thus observing the day is one that has every devout and patriotic claim to perpetuation, as the highest and holiest tribute of pious fervor that could possibly be paid to the memory of Ireland's Apostle.

HOLY WEEK NEAR.

In a few weeks the last days of Lent will come and Holy Week and Good Friday will be here. As noted by the Indiana Catholic, in our part of the United States there is not that reverence for Good Friday that is manifested in other cities. Outside the confines of our Catholic churches things go on just about the same, and there is no public manifestation of sorrow or respect for the anniversary of the Redeemer's death on the cross. Men traffic, the mills grind, the markets continue, commerce ceases not, courts sit, government halts not, pulpits are empty and churches are deserted on this great day in this boasted Christian nation. Nowhere is there evidence of fitting and reverent observance of the day. And yet how much that day means to the Christian world! The world, in fact, as well as in observance, has largely forgotten Good Friday, and as the forgetfulness expanded materialism, hedonism and agnosticism grew proportionately. A pressing need therefore in the life of the people and the life of the nation today is a more fitting and a more reverent observance of Good Friday. With it will return a truly Christian observance of the great festival of Easter.

BLESSING ON AMERICA.

Our readers are diversified; so are our citizens—that is, as to the racial blood that flows among us. Max O'Reil once said that he could not understand why any American should be proud of his lineage, since the average American did not know his grandfather. Mark Twain said in reply that, even admitting all the honorable Max said to be true, the average American was away ahead of the average Frenchman, who did not know his own father. All such, however, by way of a little joke, says the Catholic Union and Times; but we beg to refer to the fact that racial ties are various, and being various, naturally carry with them a certain affinity or love of old association. We are bound to find such ties. Indeed 'twould be strange were it otherwise. Having said so much, we proceed to the point on which there must be unity. That is, the duty and devotion we owe to our common, if not our mother country—America.

In these columns we have been particularly careful as to any expression of opinion, even indirectly, on the war question. We have abstained as far as we could. We are neither one way nor the other. We abhor war; we are for peace. We stand for virtue in the home, and good will among all men. We are not in any sense part or parcel of the carnage which has scourged Europe; wasted bone and blood, sacrificed everything worthy of God and man for nothing save passion and power.

But now it is different when the spectre hand looms across the At-

lantic and seeks to further its lustful course here. We say therefore that we are Americans of the bone and sinew, in blood and fibre, to the heart's core. Our country is America—nothing and nowhere else. All our devotion is typified by that Old Glory—the Stars and Stripes. The President of these United States is our Chief Magistrate. He with Congress is the keystone of our power. Behind him we stand as one man. He who is not with him is against him. The Catholic is the superb citizen, bar none. In him no treason can exist; by him no treason can be tolerated.

We therefore pray God bless and guide our President. God bless America!

HOPES FOR PEACE.

We have entered upon an administration that promises to be as stormy as that of Lincoln's and we can only hope that the reins of government will be held by steady and compassionate hands. If war can be avoided honorably, it is our prayer that we all lie down to dreamless sleep, not waked by war's alarms, but rather to the call of tillers of the soil and to the plough share's steel cutting through the roots of many a year's growth of grasses. To see men put aside helmet and cartridge belt to take up the interrupted industries would be a glad and happy realization that peace was ours.

WILL HEAR FROM THEM.

Skeptical citizens in New York are now wondering how far practical politics was intermingled with patriotic sentiment when Democratic and Republican Senators were denounced for blocking the passage of the bill authorizing the President to arm merchantmen engaged in the foreign trade. There is no doubt, it is reported, that Senators who have been accused of unpatriotic action by the President will throw a clear light upon the subject and its various aspects when the measure in question comes up for passage and discussion at the extra session. These men intend to demonstrate at their leisure that the so-called crisis had not been created by their attitude, but had been a matter of gradual development for which they claim the President had made no far-sighted preparation as his firm and persistent opposition to preparedness would show. They also wonder why the President went to the extreme in his words of condemnation of members of a co-ordinate branch of the Government when all the time the legislation whose immediate passage he demanded was not essential to the purpose he had in mind and had so been held by high officials of the Administration.

WORTH TRIAL.

The Loyola Club of Sacred Heart parish, Denver, Col., has evolved a plan for the dissemination of knowledge about Catholicity among non-Catholics that is worthy of emulation all over the country. The club has about fifty young men, drawn almost entirely from the working classes, and many of them laboring side by side with men who hold Catholicity in anything but esteem. Each young man is to be given literature, written by a non-Catholic, in defense of the church, and is to be asked to present it to his fellow workman, who has the poorest opinion of the church. The Catholic, first of all, will familiarize himself with what the literature contains, so that he can discuss it intelligently. From this literature, written by non-Catholics, it is proposed to work up, until Catholic literature can be placed in the hands of the non-Catholic. Rev. Charles McDonnell, S. J., one of the pastors of Sacred Heart church, is the originator of the Loyola plan.

OWE NO ONE.

Sensible people will agree with the Catholic Citizen that if everybody paid his debts almost every business in this country would be lucrative, and honest people would not have to pay so much for what they buy. If your grocer had no bad debts to look out for he could content himself with smaller profits. Most failures are due to worthless credits which can never be realized upon.

Making allowance for the chances of business and the misfortune of accidents and bereavements, there ought to be very little debt-owing in this country. Our workmen should make it a point to keep off

the grocer's books. If a debt must be paid sometime, why should it not be paid at once, especially if it be a little matter like the price of tea, coffee or butter? It is an almost universal custom to charge less on cash payments than on credit. Farmers have been repeatedly warned against blanketing their farms with mortgages. This custom has long been the maelstrom of American agriculturists. Unless the charges are very reasonable and the risks slight, mortgages are double-edged tools that good people ought to avoid. There is a certain sturdy independence in that honesty that tries to pay as it goes, that shrinks from selling its future labors in debt and tries to have a balance on hand to provide for exigencies which may arise. This is the best policy in the end, and secures those who practice it an honest sense on owning their own souls.

SYSTEM IS WRONG.

When people are hungry they are quite liable to do desperate things, which, in a measure, accounts for the recent riotous method adopted by a number of New York women. In the big city cold-storage plants are filled almost to bursting with all kinds of necessities, while men, women and children have not the wherewith to secure enough food to satisfy their hunger. There is something radically wrong with our system when such a condition is permitted to exist.

In this country there is scant room, now or at any other time, for any citizen who does not give his undivided allegiance and loyalty to the flag of the United States. Such was the sentiment of the sermon of Rev. Father Walsh at Sacred Heart church last Sunday, when he urged his hearers to continually pray for peace and that our country may not be drawn into war.

When President Wilson's words and actions favor England the Evening Post becomes jubilant and friendly, but when his words and actions approve woman suffrage the Post becomes morose and ugly. The Post falls out with itself over the President's jurisdiction upon the least provocation.

"The person who proves to be a double dealer sooner or later reaches the end of his string and is shunned by all who were his former companions." Does the Union and Times mean the one whose venomous letters from this city have exposed him?

The Lenten season is rapidly going toward the end, when the solemn inspirations of the period will give place to the gladness of the Easter time.

The man who calls those who differ with him mercenaries will bear watching.

HON. SID. DOUTHITT.

The Hon. Sid Douthitt, of Henry county, is Railroad Commissioner of the Second district. His friends of Henry county, whom he has



served in various capacities, are not proud of him then we are, the people of Jefferson county. The public and private life of this most distinguished person stands as an open book and his record as a man, a citizen and public official is without a blemish. Kentucky is proud of its men of the type of Sid Douthitt, and we need him at all times to represent us and we know that our interests will be well guarded.

HON. J. P. BLACK.

How well the State affairs are protected for the rich and poor alike is sufficient in the mention of the name of Lieut. Gov. James P. Black. In the absence of our Governor on various occasions Lieut. Gov. Black has shown amazing executive ability, handling the reins of our government in a way that has made us all feel proud of our selection.

AMERICAN WONDERS.

The greatest cataract in the world is the Falls of Niagara.
 The greatest cave in the world is the Mammoth Cave in Kentucky.
 The greatest river in the world is the Mississippi, 4,100 miles long.
 The largest valley in the world is the Valley of the Mississippi.
 The largest lake in the world is Lake Superior, which is truly an inland sea, being 430 miles long and 1,000 feet deep.
 The longest railroad in the world is the Pacific railroad, which is over 3,000 miles in length.
 The greatest mass of solid iron in the world is the great Iron Mountain in Missouri.

COMING EVENTS.

March 17—St. Patrick's day lotto by children of St. William's school, afternoon only.
 March 18—Entertainment under auspices of Division 3, A. O. H., in St. Patrick's school hall.
 March 18—Entertainment under auspices of Division 4, A. O. H., in Bertrand Hall.
 March 23—"Patricia," by pupils of Holy Rosary Academy in Bertrand Hall, afternoon and evening.
 April 9—Euchre and lotto for St. Cecilia's school, afternoon and evening.
 April 9-10-11-12—Feast of Nations by Trinity Council in club house.
 April 14—Annual bridge party of Junior Circle of the Queen's Daughters.

SOCIETY.

Mrs. D. J. Gleeson was host to a merry sewing party last week.
 Miss Emma Coyle has been visiting O. J. Shaffer at Bedford, Ind.
 Mrs. George Hoertz entertained her sewing club Tuesday afternoon.
 Miss Kate Carroll of Jeffersonville, has returned from a visit to Lexington.
 Miss Marie McGee has returned from a visit to Miss Cecilia Mattingly at Bardstow.
 Miss Mildred Yeakel has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Yeakel in Brandenburg.
 Mrs. Logan Rock will return April 1 from Florida, where she has been spending the winter.
 Deputy Sheriff Mark Ryan is out again after having his tonsils removed because of throat trouble.
 Joseph P. McCarthy, of 1132 South Seventh street, is recovering rapidly from his recent operation.
 Miss Camilla Rapier, of New Haven, was a visitor here last week, the guest of Mrs. Samuel J. Dant.
 Miss Beezle Hannan returned Saturday from a trip of several weeks to Atlantic City and New York.
 Mrs. Lee Meagher, who was here visiting her mother, Mrs. M. McGrath, has returned to her home in Frankfort.
 Miss Mary Decoursey came in from Highland Park last week for a visit with her cousin, Miss Marguerite Ryan.
 Miss May Adams Lincoln has returned from Naples on the Gulf, where she was the guest of Miss Elizabeth Haldeman.
 Edward J. Bosler, of the Tyler Hotel, with his wife and two children, are home from a three week's visit in Birmingham, Ala.

After spending a pleasant week visiting Louisville relatives, Peter Casper and wife have returned to their home at Cannelton, Ind.

Miss Martha Doherty, who has been visiting friends at Jacksonville, Fla., spent several days last week sight-seeing at St. Augustine.

Mrs. James Cahill of this city, was honor guest when Mrs. Benjamin Busby entertained her luncheon club at her home in New Albany.

Edward Nuttall, of Boston, was here on a visit this past week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Connelly, of 427 North Twentieth street.

Miss Julia Flynn, D. L. McCarthy, N. A. Gathof and E. A. Cunningham were among the Louisville arrivals registered last week in New York City.

Misses Durrett Oglesby and Simone Thompson, of Prestonsburg, have returned from a visit to St. Catherine of Sienna Academy, near Springfield.

Dr. J. J. Connelly and Misses Margaret and Mary Sullivan, of South Louisville, were recent visitors at Preston's dinner guests of Mrs. S. D. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Blanford, Crescent Hill, had as visitors last week Miss Prudence Blanford and Messrs. T. S. Montgomery and Cletus Blanford, of Springfield.

Miss Jean Schwaninger, of Jeffersonville, has been entertaining Miss Virginia Godfrey, of Indianapolis, and on Friday afternoon gave a sewing party in her honor.

Joseph P. Hines, Congressman Shelby's Secretary, is home for a short stay and says he is glad of the opportunity to march in the St. Patrick's day parade tomorrow morning.

The many friends of Mrs. John W. Gray, 3707 West Chestnut street, will be glad to learn that she is now convalescent and will recover from an illness that has confined her to her home for some time past.

Mrs. Charles P. Tighe, of Indianapolis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. George Moser, in New Albany, was hostess to the Embroidery Club on Friday afternoon. There were present Misses Mary Gohmann, Lida Mae Kraft, Beaula Gohmann, Mrs. John Dwan, Mrs. Edward F. Tighe and Mrs. George Moser, Jr.

CHURCH GOODS HOUSE.

Another new enterprise is the church goods house just opened on West Jefferson street, adjoining the interurban station. The managers and owners, Messrs. B. J. Pike and Edward F. Hekey, are long experienced in this line of goods and are prepared to fill all orders entrusted to them.

GOV. A. O. STANLEY



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DON'T SNUB.

Don't snub a boy because of his physical disability. Milton was blind.

Don't snub a boy because he chooses a humble trade. The author of "Pilgrim's Progress" was a tinker.

Don't snub a boy because his home is plain and unpretending. Abraham Lincoln's early home was a log cabin.

Don't snub a boy because of the ignorance of his parents. Shakespeare was the son of a man who was unable to write his own name.

Don't snub a boy because he wears shabby clothes. When Edison, the inventor, first entered Boston he wore a pair of yellow linen breeches, although it was in the depth of winter.

GET GOOD PAY.

Three dollars a day for the city laborers in Boston. That's the minimum established by Mayor Curley.

SILVER KEEPS BRIGHT.

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